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A new generation takes up the torch of remembrance

From tiny ECS pupils to stalwart Grade 6s, the students of Elk Point Elementary School stood silently at attention last Thursday in memory of all the men and women who have given their lives for Canada's freedom.

Led in by bagpiper Brent Mosely of Canadian Forces Base 4 Wing, Cold Lake, Elk Point Royal Canadian Legion representatives Marie and Albert Desjarlais headed a parade of poppy bearing youngsters representing each class, who took seats of honor directly in front of the huge cross bearing the motto, "We Remember."

Teacher Judy Bilak welcomed the visitors and students to the ceremony, and all joined in the singing of O Canada, with Don Buryn at the piano.

Eric Mosely told "The Story of Remembrance," remembering "the men and women who didn't come home," or whose lives were changed forever, that we might have freedom. "We appreciate them very much... and wear a poppy to remember those who didn't get to enjoy what they fought for."

Jordan Krankowski gave the history of "The Last Post," that bugle song played at bedtime and to honor the dead as they were laid to rest, and of Reveille, which is played as a symbol of victory over death.

The playing of a recorded version of The Last Post was followed by the traditional moment of silence, a lament played by piper Brent Mosely, and Reveille.

Students, staff and guests joined in the singing of "Poppies Red," which referred to the symbolism of this Remembrance Day flower. Representatives of each grade then came forward to paste their poppies on the wreath decorating the cross.

Oliver Buck told the audience about John MacCrae, the Guelph, Ontario doctor and poet who served as an artillery surgeon in World War I, and who wrote down the exact description of what he saw on the battlefields of France in his classic poem, "In Flanders Fields," which paid tribute to the memory of a fallen comrade.

Mrs. Desjarlais then came forward to place a wreath on behalf of the Legion, before a video showing artists' interpretations of the horrors of war "In Flanders Fields."

Amber Babcock told "Why We Wear a Poppy," concluding, "It says thank you for the freedom... I will never forget." Kaitlyn Orr and Kimberley Hudy recited a poem entitled "Remembrance" - "... It is our future for which we pray, remember: wear a poppy on Remembrance Day."

Teacher Bernice Capjack-Hugo read a message from Member of Parliament Leon Benoit which asked that Canadians remember not only that "Canada was shaped by sacrifice... but Remembrance Day is not solely about the past. We must express appreciation to those serving today. We need to learn about those who changed our lives." He related the story of a soldier who helped those left homeless by war, and of the moving ceremony which honored the four soldiers who died in Afghanistan's friendly fire. "We must remember them all."

The Grade 6 classes joined ranks to play "Let Peace Be Our Goal" in accompaniment to their schoolmates singing, before the morning of remembrance came to a solemn end with the singing of "God Save the Queen." (More photos, Page 3)



ELK POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S youngest students add their poppies to the Remembrance Day wreath as Elk Point Royal Canadian Legion members Marie and Albert Desjarlais and teacher Sylvia Conrad look on.

Passing on the torch of remembrance...

■ Up Front

Extravaganza will offer a parade, entertainment, fireworks and more!

The Elk Point Chamber of Commerce Christmas Extravaganza is shaping up to be the best ever, from the kickoff Winter Wonderland Parade to the grand finale fireworks display.

Plans are now well underway for the evening of Friday, November 29, with an energetic committee dedicated to bringing a record number of shoppers to town for the occasion.

The first-ever Winter Wonderland parade made up of businesses and organizations will escort Santa into town, and anyone wishing to join in with a float or decorated vehicle is welcome. The parade marshaling area is

located in the parking lot between Ace Pizza and Tags Food and Gas, and the parade will circle the downtown area before delivering Santa to the Plaza 75 Mall, where he will climb aboard an indoor sleigh to welcome the youngsters. Pictures with Santa will be available at a nominal fee.

A program of entertainment and activities is now being lined up, and of course there will be the opportunity to warm up with two perennial favorites - the roaring Main Street bonfire and free hot chocolate.

This year's Extravaganza will feature the biggest Extravaganza flyer ever and

a "really big grand prize," according to the organizing committee, and a purchase at a qualifying business is all that's necessary to get your name in the big draw barrel for the 10:15 p.m. draw, as well as giving you a chance at in-store draws for a variety of merchandise.

Fundraising is going well, and fireworks coordinator Sharon Smith is confident enough money will be raised to end the evening with many a colorful bang.

Watch for further details in next week's issue as the committee continues their planning for this popular pre-Christmas shopping and entertainment event.

The Chamber finds a place to call its home

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce is looking forward to having an actual Chamber of Commerce office, where they can hold executive meetings, meet with delegations and most important, store all their files and documents. An office entered through the Servus Credit Union foyer has been made available to the Chamber, and president Glenn Harms says "it's a dream come true" to have a home for the Chamber and all its paperwork.

Paper of another sort was high on Chamber's agenda. The closure of the paper recycling depot due to low newsprint prices is "a bit of a disaster," Harms says. It's been "an important service" for local residents ever since the Elk Point Lioness Club acquired the trailer a number of years ago. Elk Point Bottle Depot has since taken over the operation, but now there's not enough money in recycling the paper to make the operation feasible. "How can we even talk

about [the Kyoto Accord] and then dump our paper in the landfill?" Harms asked. "If we're going to talk about environment, we've got to do the walk."

Town Council has newspaper recycling on tonight's meeting agenda, according to Town Manager Myron Goyan, who also noted that when the new regional landfill site is completed, the regional waste authority board will be looking at a recycling complex with a baler for cardboard,

another commodity which can no longer be recycled here, and which is also ending up in the landfill.

Regarding the Kyoto Accord, Harms expects to have a full draft plan to present at the next Chamber meeting on November 20. He will also have an update on the electoral boundary review for that meeting, but Goyan reminded the members that any appeal regarding the proposed boundaries must be submitted by November 15.

community **NEWS****Elk Point alpaca wins at Farmfair**

Farmfair International is Canada's premier livestock showcase, held annually in Edmonton. This show includes a variety of different breeds of livestock. The Alpaca Livestock Producers and Cooperators Association (A.L.P.A.C.A.) organized the Northlands 2002 International A.L.P.A.C.A. Odyssey Show. This was the second year that the alpaca breeders brought their top quality animals to the show ring in the largest alpaca show held in Canada.

A male named Gemini, owned by Star Choice Alpacas of Elk Point, bay black in color, attended this prestige show to compete. Tasha Yopyk was the handler of this young male and did a great job. The competition was very strong with a high percentage of superior quality animals to be judged by Jude Anderson, who came all the way from Torquay, Australia.

Gemini was placed in a

Junior/Intermediate Male - Black class, and Orest and Barb Yopyk, owners of Star Choice Alpacas, were very pleased and proud when he placed first in class and came home with a blue ribbon, the standard color ribbon in International competition.

There are fewer than 15,000 alpacas in Canada, so this industry is still very young, and is an exciting new alternative livestock industry. At this year's event, there were a total of 176 entries, up from 107 entries in 2001. Of all the animals to participate in Farmfair International, the alpacas outnumbered the entries of any other type of livestock. Entries came from four western Canadian provinces: Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. Next year promises to be another premier Alpaca Show event.



BLUE RIBBON ALPACA - Tasha Yopyk proudly displays Gemini, winner of a first place ribbon in the Junior/Intermediate Male - Black category of the A.L.P.A.C.A. Odyssey Show at Farmfair.

CRIME STOPPERS**Farmhouse firebug sought**

On October 24, 2002 about 10:00 p.m., an abandoned farmhouse located about eight miles north of Derwent, Alberta was set on fire by unknown person(s). The value of the property is not known at this time. There were no injuries as a result of the fire.

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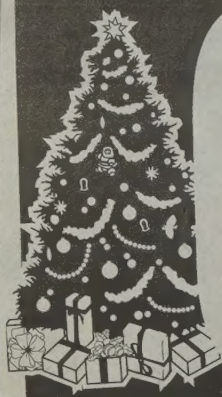
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community **NEWS****Elk Point Elementary: a new generation pauses to remember**

THE REMEMBRANCE DAY HONOR GUARD included special guests and poppy bearers.



THE GRADE 6 RECORDER BAND played "Let Peace Be Our Goal" as they accompanied their singing schoolmates in this special Remembrance Day selection.

MARIE AND ALBERT DESJARLAIS pause to remember.



PIPER BRENT MOSELY led the parade of Legion representatives and poppy bearers to Elk Point Elementary's Remembrance Day ceremony.

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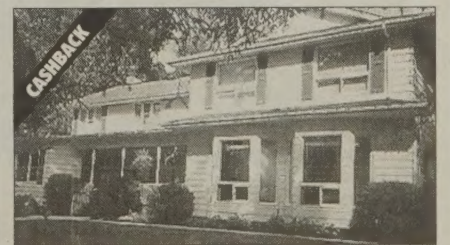
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Get your vehicle ready for winter

If you haven't already had your vehicle checked for the winter, you may be playing Russian Roulette with the weather. And if you wake up one morning and it's 20° below and the car won't start, you'll know you've lost.

But there are a few simple things you can do now to make your vehicle less vulnerable to the cold, so that it will start for you on that first really cold morning that we've all been dreading.

Block heater: Check that your block heater, extension cord and electrical outlet are all working, so a short doesn't delay your start.

Batteries: Dead batteries are the number one reason cars won't start on cold mornings. Keep your block heater plugged in to reduce battery drain due to hard cranking (you may also want to consider a timer for your block heater to conserve electricity). It's also a good idea to have your battery and the charging system tested. Automotive batteries more than three years old may be too weak to make it through winter's toughest weather.

Oil: Most of today's engines use SAE 5W30 year-round. Check your owner's manual for the manufacturer's recommendation.

Cooling system: Test your antifreeze and be sure it's good to -35° C. If it has been more than three years since it was checked, have your radiator drained, flushed and refilled.

Belts: Check under your hood. If a worn belt snaps in the cold, you'll be out in the cold.

Tires: Be sure to check your tread for wear and your air pressure monthly. Bald tires won't help you much in the snow.

Keys: Carry a spare door/ignition key separate from your regular key chain. That way, you won't be locked out in the cold if you accidentally leave your keys inside a locked vehicle. (AMA recommends you NOT leave your vehicle unattended while running. It's simply too easy for thieves to drive away with your wheels. Besides, lengthy idling spews unnecessary pollution into the air, and isn't good for your engine, either.

Pack a survival kit: Even the best-maintained vehicles sometimes break down. Be prepared by packing your trunk with the following: blankets, booster cables, emergency food, extra clothing, first-aid kit, flares or reflective triangle, flashlight, ice scraper, matches and candle in a deep can, sand or cat litter, small shovel.

Be careful out there - winter's on its way!

■ Memories

Take time to remember

By Irene Magnusson

Review Contributor

"Take Time to Remember" - easy for you to say... but what to pick from the trillions of memories floating around in our minds, accumulated over the many years?

Obviously, we should take time to remember our childhood. The long, long days, filled with explorations, with fears and fun and food. In my own mind float recollections of exploring the slough, in spring, with my brothers. The raft we poled across the icy water, the occasional dunking; the spanks from our terrorized mother, as she stripped our icy limbs, wrapped us in blankets, and beseeched the eternal question, "Will you NEVER learn?"

School, that marvelous font of learning, was miles down a dusty, muddy or snow-filled road, walked barefoot in summer, often blizzard-lashed in winter. But oh, the wonders to be found there, hidden in the pages! Even the pesky boys could be endured while knowledge was absorbed. For many of us, in the '20s and '30s, those learning years were few.

Today, we are assailed by news and views of the distressing times we are enduring; my generation endured the Great Depression, when we learned to "live off the land", picking wild berries and greens, stalking partridges with slingshots, planing gardens with seeds we saved from year to year. Everyone made things, furniture, clothing, repairs, from what came to hand, and were not ashamed to accept from neighbors, or to pass our own unused articles along. Families were large, in those long-ago days; babies' clothes were passed on, when outgrown, to the next newcomer, family or neighbor. Cash was hard to come by, and well respected. There was still

time for fun; the occasional day at the lake, to wade, to fish off the pier, to pick berries. And burn wieners!

All too soon, it was time for our War, which I thought we were doomed to suffer every 20 years (history); one after another, my brothers, sister, cousins, friends and neighbors went off to fight for freedom and friends, as their fathers and uncles did before them. We wrote letters and awaited replies; some got telegrams. Ration cards were used, sometimes traded. A gallon of gas cost 25¢ - still hard to afford.

My husband didn't go to war. He was nearing 30 (too old?), had four kids (too costly?) and was a farmer, needed to feed the people, thank goodness!

I recall the first airplane I ever saw: beautiful and free, up in that clean blue sky, and oh, how I longed to be up there with it! Now they rupture the air with their roars, screaming giants... and I still long to be flying with them.

We went once to Vancouver, on the train; 23 hours of changing scenes, most astonishing our first view of the Rockies. They were every bit as imposing and glorious as the pictures showed - and as they are today. Now we drive, or bus through those tall blue hills, fly over them, almost without a glance; I remember the utter thrill of my first sight. We are blest with such beauty!

There have been great changes in our environs; we glide over the North Saskatchewan River on a table-smooth highway, with little thoughts of the clumsy ferry and the time it took to cross just a few years ago (52 to be exact). Of course, the ferry was a great improvement over the rafts or boats used 40 years before.

When the future looks too bleak, isn't it wonderful that we can draw from our minds, memories of bygone times, of family, friends, beauty of nature, northern lights flickering, and the sun on our skin!

Family Violence Prevention

November is Family Violence Prevention Month. At a time when we are experiencing an economic downturn in the economy for many reasons, it is easy to understand how there could be a possible rise in family violence at this time.

The other day I was reading what James E. Faust said about his experience with the Great Depression. He said: "Some of us are children of the Great Depression.... Most of us who passed through that period will never forget the difficult economic times almost everyone experienced. At that time, many banks failed; people lost their life's savings; a great many were unemployed, and some of them lost their homes because they could not pay the mortgage. Many went hungry. If we didn't eat our oatmeal cereal for breakfast, we would often have it fried for lunch or dinner." It is true that, although this experience happened in the 1930s, we hope families are not experiencing the same conditions today. However, as they say, "history forgotten is often history repeated." So it is probably time we review what we could learn from the experience of the Great Depression.

One such lesson learned is

the ability of families to be "storekeepers". What this means is that families need to store whatever their own



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family would like to have in the case of any emergency. Most of us cannot afford to store a year's supply of luxury items, but find it more practical to store staples that might keep us from starving in case of emergency. If we do not have the resources to acquire a year's supply, then we can strive to begin with having one month's supply. Make sure your extra supply consists of food your family will eat.

What does all this have to do with the prevention of family violence? The answer to this question is, "It has a lot to do with it!" When there is little food in the house and when the family is experiencing hardship in meeting the payment of the bills, family violence can happen. A church, the community food bank, or the government cannot be expected to provide for everyone in case of per-

sonal or public disaster. It is therefore necessary that each home and family do what they can to assume the responsibility for their own hour of need.

Families need to solidify their strengths and resources. Chief among a family's resources are its spiritual strengths, which are enhanced by praying together. Keep in mind that families are encouraged to attend the church of their choice so this spiritual strength is available to family members. This is the first step. The second step would be to budget money together. This will produce a special unity. Family members need to understand income and expenses. Coordination and cooperation with family budgets work and lessen negative feelings in the family. When there is limited money available, it is easier to teach children the wise use of money, including the need to save for the future. Plus it is important to avoid debt. If a family can do that, as well as reduce their expenses whenever and wherever they can, they will notice a difference in their ability to cope with a downturn in the economy, and above all, family violence may not occur.



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According to Cliff Wallis of the Alberta Wilderness Association, these techniques are "an effective way of reducing impacts."

Petro-Canada recently received glowing reviews from Alberta Environment for its "under-canopy" survey work near Fort McMurray.

The only mark that the Petro-Canada crew left in the bush was a crooked walking trail and some auger holes. This approach leaves little trace of the survey, saves trees and commercial lumber, and preserves natural forest cover for animals.

In situations where it's possible to use low impact seismic exploration, industry has been very successful in reducing environmental effects.

Source: Dennis McBeth, Venture Helicopters

Synergy works for all

A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE A STAKE IN OIL AND GAS development in Alberta. That's why more than 40 "synergy" groups across the province are working together to resolve local issues in productive ways. At the heart of a synergy group is the notion that the result of combined effort is greater than what any one person could have achieved on their own.

Each community shapes their group to reflect their particular needs and issues.

Group members include landowners, concerned citizens, industry representatives and regulators.

These groups can now be found throughout Alberta including Zama, Rocky Mountain House, Wainwright, Grande Prairie, Fort McMurray, Sundre, Waterton and Vulcan.



Brooke Baillie, Kathyrn, Alberta

In 2001, stakeholders including synergy group members, the Alberta Energy & Utilities Board and the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers collaborated to organize *Making Synergy Real* – a unique conference focused on working together effectively.

In February 2002, 250 participants from across Alberta gathered in Red Deer to share their experiences. They found themselves celebrating successes from all over the province and learning valuable lessons from their neighbours.

Brooke Baillie, who raises cattle near Kathyrn is one of those people. She belongs to Residents for Responsible Energy Development. "We've been successful in educating and providing moral support to local people when they have to deal with a new or expanding development. We simply want the petroleum industry to act responsibly when they're working on our land."

CAPP and its member companies support synergy groups because they bring together all sides and focus on finding solutions that lead to responsible development.

Sour gas safety update

SOUR GAS AND PUBLIC SAFETY IS SOMETHING Albertans take very seriously. In response to public concerns about sour gas development, an independent committee formed by the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (EUB) made 87 recommendations to improve the understanding, handling and regulation of sour gas. The EUB, with help from its many stakeholders, including industry, have made real progress on more than half of the recommendations, and 14 are already complete.

The recommendations reflect the thinking and concerns of residents in every part of the province.

In Pincher Creek, committee members heard the EUB must apply its regulations consistently. Grande Prairie and Leduc residents stressed that sour gas pipelines must be safe. First Nations and Métis communities everywhere called for better emergency response planning and consultation that respects their cultural uniqueness and traditional lands.

Paul Jackson, who lives near Calgary, served on the committee from the beginning. He and his young family lived close to a proposed sour gas well and he had concerns for their future health and safety.

"At first I was skeptical that such a large, diverse committee could function effectively, and initially the process was not smooth. However, once the participants settled down, their differences fell away. It was amazing how well they worked toward constructive solutions."

Jackson says, "Everyone realized this was a golden opportunity to create positive change that would be to everyone's benefit. And that's what pretty much happened. The implementation of our recommendations strengthened the regulations in the interests of public health and safety while meeting the need for industrial growth."

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community **NEWS****Family violence – what is it?**

We use the terms 'family violence' and abusive relationships; interchangeably. Often violent or abusive behavior is called 'battering,' which is defined as "assaultive behavior between adults in an intimate, sexual, usually cohabitating relationship."

Assaultive behavior can take many forms. All forms of abusive behavior are ways in which one human being is trying to control or have power over another. These behaviors can include but are not limited to:

Emotional or psychological abuse: Put-downs, constant criticism; breaking down partner's belief system (cultural or religious); making partner watch children or pets be abused and not allowing partner to intervene.

Isolation: Denying the partner access to or the opportunity to keep

friends, social contacts, outside interests; jealousy; making family contact difficult.

Intimidation: Threats to hurt or kill children, pets, friends; destruction of property; controlling partner's talk; making partner account for every minute, every action; threats to hurt anyone who helps him / her; threats to prove partner is an unfit parent; threats of suicide; controlling with fear.

Economic: Allowing partner no money of her / his own or no opportunity to improve earning capacity; forcing partner to hand over every penny, whether or not she/he earns money; forcing partner to account for every cent.

Physical abuse: Pushing, shoving, slapping, punching, kicking, breaking bones, knifing, shooting or use of other weapons, locking out of one's home, abandoning

in an unsafe place, murder.

Sexual abuse: Forced unwanted sex; demanding that partner wear more (or less) provocative clothing; forced sex with objects, friends, animals; insisting that partner act out pornographic fantasies, denial of partner's sexuality.

(Above material taken from Booklet, 'Breaking the Pattern' – Office for the Prevention of Family Violence). Look for periodical issues relating to Family Violence Prevention.

Seven impaired drivers charged in October

During the month of October the Elk Point RCMP Detachment focused on impaired drivers as part of its local Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP).

A total of seven individuals were charged with impaired driving and driving while over .08. There were also two 24-hour suspensions issued. Eight more motorists were charged with driving while disqualified or suspended.

With the holiday season approaching, motorists can anticipate more vehicle stops and marked checkpoints in an effort to discourage impaired persons from driving and getting those that are driving drunk, off the roads and highways.

November's STEP initiative will focus on seatbelt offences as well as speeding vehicles and large trucks on Highway 41, especially during the early morning hours.

Government hopes parents and teachers will do their homework

By Todd MacKay
St. Paul Journal

The provincial government is asking everyone to do a little homework over the next few months. Workbooks for

Alberta's Commission on Learning have been distributed to schools and placed on the Internet so that anyone with any interest in the education system can have a say in its direction.

"It's very important," says St. Paul Education Regional Division chair Lorne Bury. "We have

to tell the Department of Learning exactly what we need for rural education.

"I think the government is going to look really hard at this commission."

The booklet entitled *Doing Our Homework: A Guide for Discussion*, provides about 16 pages of background information, then asks for the reader's views with questions that fill the last 16 pages.

The Alberta Teachers' Association (ATA) also emphasizes the importance of the commis-

sion.

"We're trying to get 100 per cent participation (from teachers)," says local ATA president Shane Boyko. "We're hoping parents will fill them out too."

Many have expressed concerns about the workbook, however.

Some questions ask the reader to rate, in order of importance, a number of education priorities such as technology in the classroom and school counsellors. Boyko says many of these elements can't be compared or rated as

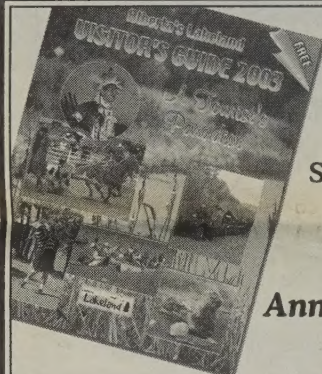
they're each individually important.

After meeting to discuss the workbooks as a group, the school board also had some concerns.

"There are questions about fund-raising, private, public partnerships, and extras," says deputy superintendent Carmen Brodziak. "What exactly does it mean by 'extras'? How will the answers be interpreted?"

Despite some perplexing questions, Brodziak agrees the workbook is important.

"The premier is always saying 'Albertans have told me ...,' she says. "I hope the government does take the time to review the answers people give."



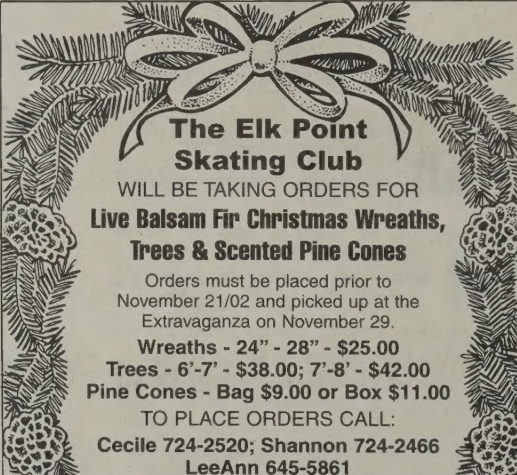
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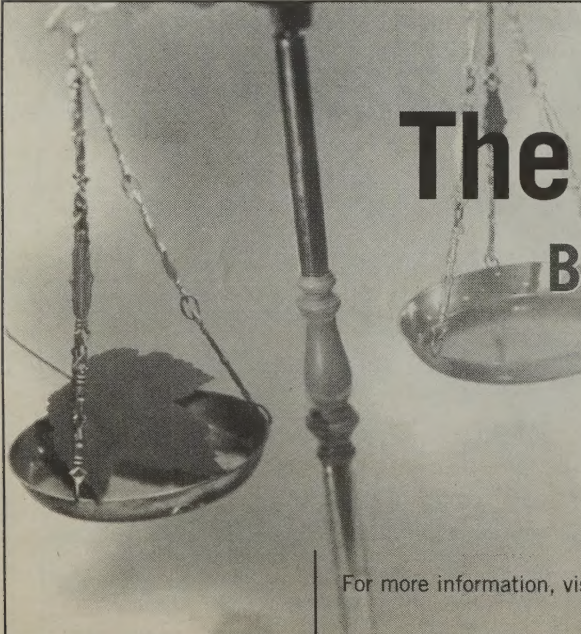
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LRHA gets another chance to find extra funding

By Todd MacKay

Journal Staff

Both Alberta Health and Wellness and the Lakeland Regional Health Authority (LRHA) are optimistic about hammering out a deal to end the ongoing funding dispute.

Premier Ralph Klein brought together Health and Wellness Minister Gary Mar, LRHA representatives, and local MLAs for a meeting on Thursday. The meeting ended with Mar promising to take another look at the Deloitte and Touche report and another chance for the LRHA to make submissions for more funding over-and-above what's previously been discussed.

"If the submissions were totally successful they would bring us about

\$6.8 million," says LRHA chair Ernie Isley. "That would solve our problems."

The health minister and LRHA have been haggling over the authority's business plan since July. Mar has instructed the LRHA to cut \$7 million to present a balanced budget numerous times and the authority has consistently refused saying such cuts would require significant facility closures.

The dispute got ugly last week as Mar demanded a new business plan within 30 days. LRHA representatives and local MLAs cried foul saying they were led to believe decisions wouldn't be made until further questions were answered.

All seems forgiven now.

"I thought the meeting went well,"

says local MLA Ray Danyluk. "There were other directions and solutions looked at that might bring some resolve to some of the financial issues."

Neither Mar nor Klein were available for interview, but spokespeople for both echoed Danyluk's positive feelings about the meeting.

In addition to re-examining the Deloitte and Touche report which analyzed LRHA's funding situation, Isley says a few new funding possibilities arose.

The new hope is to have facilities such as the SAGE program in Two Hills and the Regional Psychiatric Unit in St. Paul receive special funding as unique programs. Other concerns such as funding ambulance services, cost of doing business

issues and structural deficits are also up for discussion, according to Isley.

Deputy Health and Wellness Minister Dr. Roger Palmer and other ministry representatives will meet with the LRHA this week to discuss the Deloitte and Touche report and the new LRHA submissions, says Health and Wellness spokesperson Howard May.

While the 30-day ultimatum has been withdrawn, Alberta Health and Wellness says the clock is ticking.

"There's no firm deadline set," says May, "but we're still talking about a business plan for this fiscal year, which a month from now will be in the final quarter. So there's no firm deadline set, but this stuff needs to be resolved fairly soon."

FCC 4-H scholarships reward tomorrow's leaders

Regina, Sask., Nov. 7, 2002 - Farm Credit Canada (FCC) is rewarding 4-H members who come up with ideas to improve their communities. Recognizing that the future of agriculture depends on young people, FCC is offering \$14,000 to members of the Canadian 4-H Council, Association.

Over the past ten years, FCC has awarded \$90,000 in scholar-

ships across the country. In 2003, ten \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to the project plans that best address local hunger or safety issues, one in each province. The deadline for entries is Feb. 28, 2003 and the winners will be announced in April 2003.

The top national proposal will be selected from the provincial winners in May. FCC will provide the national

winner with an additional \$1,000 scholarship and a budget of up to \$3,000 to make the winning project a reality.

"These young people can make a powerful contribution to their local communities, with the opportunity to put their ideas into action," said Lyle Vanclief, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada. "This kind of scholarship award helps 4-H members to learn new skills that will contribute to our industry's success in the new century."

"Last year, 50 young Canadians from coast to coast submitted quality projects. By partner-

ing with the 4-H Council, we are helping to develop future leaders in the agricultural industry," said John Ryan, FCC's President and Chief Executive Officer. "With approximately 120,000 farm operators planning on retiring within the next decade, it's good to see young people showing leadership in agriculture related issues."

"This scholarship program helps to teach our young members the benefits of partnership, teamwork and volunteerism," said Elizabeth Crouse, President of the Canadian 4-H Council. "These are lifelong skills that will help them to make a differ-

ence in their communities."

Application forms are available at FCC offices across the country or at www.fcc-fac.ca

The 4-H is a rural, community-based organization that fosters life skills in youth including citizenship, leadership, co-operation, responsibility and independence. The 4-H motto is "learn to do by doing."

The Canadian 4-H Council is the not-for-profit agency that coordinates all national 4-H activities. The organization will celebrate its 90th anniversary in Canada in 2003.

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Philanthropy's Imagine program, FCC donates more than one per cent of profits each year to charitable and not-for-profit organizations. Operating out of 100 offices located primarily in rural Canada, FCC's employees are passionate about the business of agriculture and committed to enhancing the life of rural Canadians.

For more information about the 2003 FCC 4-H Scholarship Awards Program contact:

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'Accidents' are predictable and preventable - health authority

By Todd MacKay

St. Paul Journal Staff

Injuries are the number one killer of people under 44 years old, according to the Lakeland Injury Control Project. But the project's study found that few people recognize the magnitude of the problem, or that injuries are nearly always preventable.

The survey results didn't surprise project facilitator Lida Thomson, however.

"We have a lot to do in our goal to make people aware," she says. "In comparison to the attention health issues like cancer and heart disease get, injuries get very little."

Lakeland statistics list falls as the number one injury cause with 593 trips to the emergency room and 52 hospitalizations at the St. Therese Health Centre in 2000. Unspecified accidents rated second with 550 ER appearances.

Men were nearly twice as injury prone as women with males making up 2,102 of 3,391 people in emergency.

The most injury prone ages were between 15 and 19 (414).

Thomson says several programs are in place to stem the flow of injury victims into the ER.

The Risk Watch is one such program that runs in many schools. The program covers a number of injury scenarios including water and vehicle safety. The information is designed to make it easy for teachers to incorporate the safety messages right into normal classes, says Thomson.

Lakeland Safety First is another program Thomson says is geared to keep business and industry safe.

"Injuries are all around us," says Thomson, "but they're predictable and preventable. We've stopped calling them accidents because they're preventable."

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Game farmer helps to find new CWD case

A recent laboratory submission from a whitetail deer farm enabled the detection of a new positive case of chronic wasting disease (CWD) on a whitetail farm in Alberta. This is the first case of CWD in a farmed whitetail in Canada. This discovery highlights the successful cooperation between the industry, Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development (AAFRD) and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

In Alberta, the Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance Program has been mandatory since July 2002. It was previously voluntary since 1996. AAFRD in cooperation with the Alberta Whitetail and Mule Deer Association and the Alberta Elk Association established this program. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency Eradication Program

was been in place since October 2000 and was also established through close cooperation with the deer and elk farming industry.

This new farm represents the 42nd farm where chronic wasting disease was identified in Canada and only the 2nd in Alberta. Four cases of chronic wasting disease were also confirmed in wild mule deer in Saskatchewan and are unrelated to this case in farmed whitetail deer. As a result of the new case, two whitetail deer farms have been quarantined and a temporary two week moratorium on movements of farmed whitetails and mule deer was put in place as part of the herd investigation. This moratorium does not include whitetail or mule deer going directly for slaughter as all meat is held pending a negative CWD test.

Scientific observations to date suggest that CWD is more like scrapie than other transmissible spongiform encephalopathies. Scrapie is a disease of sheep that has been recognized for hundreds of years and that has never been associated with disease in humans. Health Canada is in agreement with the World Health Organization's current

position that there is no evidence to indicate that CWD affects humans.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency, the Provincial Government and the cervid industry have established the most extensive and rigid disease regulations and policies of all agricultural sectors. Some regulations require:

a.. Individual identification of all animals

on farms

b.. Annual inventory and recording of all births and deaths and movement

c.. Registration of each animal

d.. Transportation authorization permits are required for all movement of farmed cervids

e.. Chronic wasting

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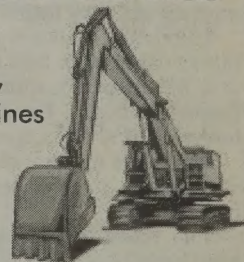
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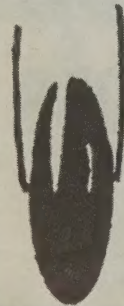
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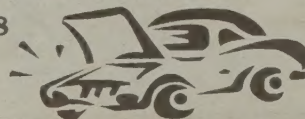
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Winter spells havoc on the roads - be careful out there!

By the Mission Possible
Traffic Safety Initiative
Review Contributor

With our first significant snowfalls of the year, a rash of vehicles sliding into ditches on Highway 2 becomes a typical scene on Alberta's roads. According to Alberta Transportation's traffic collision statistics, 38 people were killed and 2635 injured last year when roads were covered in slush, snow or ice.

Winter crashes and fender benders are not inevitable, however: drivers shouldn't put the blame on the winter road conditions. Drivers should exercise good judgement in adjusting their speed to the present road conditions. Posted speed limits are set based on optimum driving conditions (eg. clear, dry pavement on a sunny day).

"The problem is, drivers don't change their driving behavior when driving conditions change," says Rob Taylor of the Alberta Motor Association, a partner in the Mission Possible Traffic Safety Initiative. "Icy roads will affect your ability to steer, accelerate, and stop so it's a potentially deadly mistake to drive the same as you would under perfect road conditions."

Taylor notes that road conditions can change radically - not only because of weather changes - but between major roadways and residential streets, for example. The exhaust from vehicles idling at a stoplight melts the snow, which then freezes into ice. Although pavement may look bare, it can have a transparent coating of ice.

Drivers can minimize the risks by practicing the following safety tips:

- Allow extra time for traveling to your destination. Many crashes happen because drivers are in a hurry.
- Adjust speed to conditions. Remember that icy

roads will affect your ability to steer, accelerate and stop.

- Check for black ice. When there is no traffic around, test reaction by applying brakes for a second.

- Allow yourself extra space between the vehicle in front of you. Following too close for conditions is a leading factor in crashes.

- Never use cruise control on icy or snowy highways. Your vehicle may accelerate slightly without warning, especially when going uphill, which may be enough to break the traction between your driving wheels and the road. The result could be an uncontrollable spin or skid.

- Use a very slight touch on the brake or accelera-

tor. Sudden acceleration and braking with break traction and result in lack of control.

- Pass only when absolutely necessary. Overtaking a slower vehicle is one of the most dangerous maneuvers you can try on icy highways.

- Use extreme caution when passing snowplows. Plows create clouds of snow around them, obscuring all vision for several seconds. As well, once you overtake the plow you will be traveling on an unplowed surface.

- Ensure your vehicle is in good condition. Your tires should have plenty of tread and be inflated properly. Your tires are the only control surface between your vehicle and the road, so make sure

they are in good shape.

- Use the ditch. A deep, snow-filled ditch may be your safest place in an emergency. If you begin to lose control, it's far safer to veer into the ditch than into oncoming traffic. Also, many vehicle rollovers are caused by a driver over-reacting to avoid hitting the ditch and yanking the steering wheel toward the yellow line.

- Slow down early! Force following traffic to slow well in advance of intersections to reduce

the risk of being rear-ended.

- Leave a buffer space. When you stop on ice, leave a car length or two ahead. If you see that the vehicle behind you is unable to stop, you can pull ahead into your "buffer zone" to avoid a collision.

- Check your rear view

mirror every time you brake.

- If all else fails, brace yourself! Always wear your seatbelt and ensure your passengers wear theirs. Make sure your head restraint is adjusted correctly and brace your head against it to reduce the risk of injury from whiplash.

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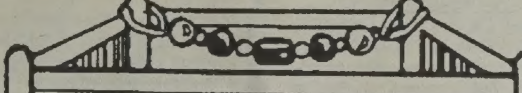
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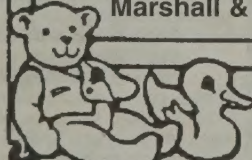
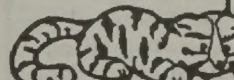
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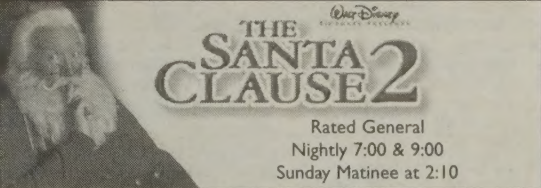
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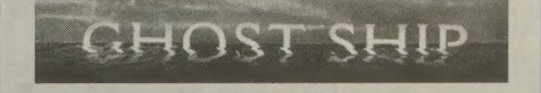
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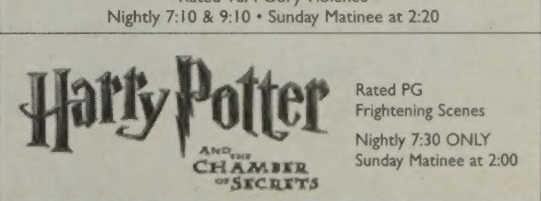
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CO-OP

6 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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LOCATION: ST. PAUL DISTRICT OFFICE

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CLOSING: November 15, 2002.

FURTHER INFORMATION: This competition is open to the public. Questions about the position may be directed to Faye Branden, Insurance Manager at 780-679-1377. We thank all those who apply for their interest in this posting, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted further. Applications will be accepted until the closing date of Friday, November 15 by sending your resume to:

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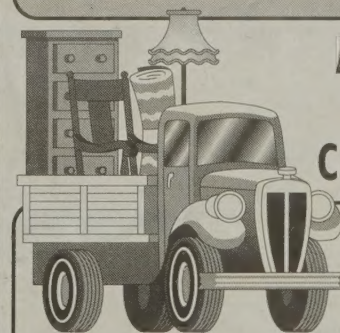
"Agriculture is part of everyone's livelihood" is what Howard Thomas (on producer liaison committee) said at the Alberta Cattle Commission meeting last night. He spoke of them marketing beef at Klondike Days in Edmonton. They had a live heifer at the show on display. The city folk were amazed at just how much it ate and all in just a day. Where are the farmers going to get all this feed from during this devastating drought?

Yes it has been a desperate year with a cold and late spring, an extremely hot dry summer and now a cold fall. In the place that I was born (Zimbabwe, Africa) we really had two distinguishable seasons, a wet one and a dry one. There is a rule in folk law that if the wet season comes late, then it will be a very wet one (and if early, a very dry one) and it was generally true. Here in North Eastern Alberta you could almost say that there are also only two seasons, a hot one and a cold one. Therefore if the hot season comes late, then it will be a very hot one (and if early, a very cold one). I have not been able to verify this but it was certainly true for 2002.

At the meeting Sharil Baumgardner (producer from Elk Point area) got to speak on EFP's but she had to be quick. It was an evening at the Bonnyville Agriplex that was filled with lots of issues, lots of motions and lots of decisions. In fact there were a total of eight motions voted on and thus the session was on until almost midnight. The Alberta Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) program that Baumgardner spoke of is in the process of being launched and it is about producers taking responsibility for environmental stewardship by implementing environmental farm plans. It is voluntary and will increase the marketability of our farm produce. It will give measurable results ensuring public confidence in our food supply. It will be a way to show to the public what we are already doing for the environment and that which we are going to do for the environment.

Marketing (a part of economic development) is a priority as the LARA directors told us researchers at our strategy meeting two weeks ago in Goodridge. If you cannot sell something then why produce it? The words organic, free range, and environmentally friendly; when associated with food are finding acceptance in Canada. The Europeans have already embraced these directions. We must "be prepared". The ACC's Ranchers promotion and the refreshed "If it ain't Alberta, it ain't beef" campaign has won a highly prestigious 2002 International Gold Quill Award recognizing excellence in communications and marketing and so we do know how to sell. We must think about how we as producers can get involved in this EFP program.

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The disease survey continues this year, but is focused along the eastern border from Provost to Lloydminster as well as in central Alberta, specifically Wildlife Management Units 234, 236, 256, 500, as well as 507, 508, 250 and the portion of 248 north of Edmonton. The rest of the program remains the same as in previous years. Hunters are asked to submit the frozen heads of mature (greater than one year old) elk, mule deer or white-tailed deer harvested in these areas.

Intact heads with or without antlers are needed - but animals that have been shot in the head can

not be used. Fawns and calves also are not tested.

Elk and deer heads should be kept frozen and dropped off at any office of the Fish and Wildlife Division of Sustainable Resource Development in Alberta. Please inform staff that the head is for the disease survey.

Along with your sample, please provide the following information:

- * Your hunter WIN number
- * Type of species
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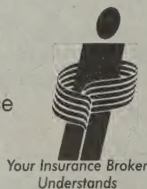
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